
YOUTH COUNCIL ON WORKFORCE SERVICES

Monday, May 16, 2005

1385 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah

Monthly Meeting Minutes

2:00 p.m.

Presiding: Paul Jackson, Chair

Present: James Andersen, Betty Barker, Sandra Hemmert, Ellen Lange
(for Linda Fife), David Melville, Akilah Messado, Kevin Miller
(for John Latkiewicz), Jon Pierpont, Kim Thomas, Claire Turner,
Sheri VanBibber, M. Ali Wilkinson

Absent: Kay Forbush, Don Johnson, Gay Pinnecoose, Dr. Stephen Ronnenkamp,
Jude Schmid, Lona Walton,

Excused: Linda Fife, Senator Brent Goodfellow, Dr. John Latkiewicz, Melva Sine,
Janet Wolf

Guests: Kent Fitzgerald and Michael Gallegos-Salt Lake County

Staff: Karla Aguirre, Amy Aldridge, Rebecca Banner, Rod Barlow,
Jane Broadhead, Jane Gardner, Steve Leyba, Diane Lovell,
Mary Pannunzio, Mary Peterson, Brad Newsome, Gillian Johns-Young

Welcome and Announcements

Chairman Paul Jackson called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. He welcomed Kim Thomas-SLC Youth City and Ellen Lange-SL/T Applied Technology College.

Mr. Jackson announced that Peter Smith is no longer with Salt Lake City/Youth City and has resigned from Youth Council effective April 29, 2005. He extended a special thanks to Mr. Smith for his contributions and service on the Youth Council.

Mr. Jackson noted a correction in the amount of the YES Leadership Project award that was discussed at the March 21 meeting. The amount authorized by DWS is \$1,000 and not the \$2,000 level previously stated. Please note this correction.

Mr. Jackson shared copies of the latest State Youth Council Newsletter to all in attendance. He encouraged anyone wanting to submit future articles for publication to contact him or Diane Lovell.

Approval of March 21, 2005 Minutes

Sheri VanBibber motioned to approve the Youth Council minutes for March 21, 2005. Betty Barker seconded the motion. All voted "Aye". The motion passed.

DWS Update

Jon Pierpont provided an update on the DWS reorganization and transition.

- The Business Services Center is back in Central Region
- Kim Auberger is Manager, Metro Employment Center
- Laurel Morris is Manager, Business Services Center
- Bill Bridge now manages the State Office Quality Control/Evaluation Unit
- Mary Pannunzio is Manager, West Valley Employment Center

In addition, Tani Downing, DWS Executive Director has named LeeAnn Muranaka as the new Internal Audit Director. A vacancy remains in the Adjudication Division and recruitment is underway for a new Regional Director for the North Region.

RFP Results & Youth Program Plans

Paul Jackson deferred to Jon Pierpont for the update on the Request for Proposal (RFP) process. Mr. Pierpont stated that only one proposal was received and it was from Salt Lake County. The Proposal Review Committee found the proposal to be inadequate and requested the County upgrade its proposal for resubmission on June 2, 2005.

Paul Jackson expressed his appreciation for the RFP process and the careful review that took place. He acknowledged the vigilance of the State Office in overseeing the rigorous process and acknowledged the cooperation of Mike Gallegos and Salt Lake County for their willingness to respond as requested.

Mike Gallegos then shared his appreciation for the opportunity to amend the County's proposal with feedback and guidance from DWS.

The new youth contract will be for one year, October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006, with four 1-year performance-contingent extensions. Paul Jackson noted that DWS will monitor the outcomes closely and that the case management staff will be located at the DWS Offices – 1385 South State.

James Andersen asked if any thought has been given to having similar on-site representation in school districts. Jon Pierpont asked Mr. Andersen to send him his thoughts regarding his suggestion.

WIA Performance Outcome Reports

Karla Aguirre summarized the Transition to Adult Living Project. The Transition to Adult Living Conference is tentatively scheduled for June 27, 2005 and more information is forthcoming.

Ms. Aguirre then announced that Rebecca Banner has moved to a new assignment as Training Coordinator. Rod Barlow will now provide ongoing staff support to the Youth Program.

Rebecca Banner next presented an updated summary of Youth Program Outcome Measures for the 3rd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2004.

YES Monitoring Report

Jane Gardner summarized the January 2005 YES Monitoring Report and noted that DWS monitors contracts annually. The following report highlights were provided to the Youth Council:

- Overview
- Fiscal Review
- Case Edits
- Work Site Visits
- Performance Measures

Strategic Planning: 2005-2006

Paul Jackson reported on the April 7th Regional Council retreat and directed the Council to the 2006 preliminary Youth Council Goals. A suggestion was made after the Retreat to focus on completing the “brainstorming” grid provided on pages 18 and 19. Paul Jackson asked Council members for additional “resources” to add to those already outlined. The discussion that followed yielded the following “resources” for the youth categories listed below:

Foster Care (those in Foster Care & those aging out of Foster Care)

- DCFS (JoeAnn Bartlett)*
- Youth Foster Success
- HCOP
- Youth & Families w/Promise
- ETV
- Utah Foster Care Foundation
- Youth Village
- Project Reconnect (Utah Mental Health)
- Just for Youth website (justforyouth.gov)
- Youth in Custody (School Districts)*
- Youth Services (Salt Lake County)
- Salt Lake County Substance Abuse
- YES Vendor*
- Additional websites

Children of Incarcerated Parents

- Prisoner Information Network
- Agency (Jim Andersen will get the name)
- Protective Services
- DCFS
- Adult Probation & Parole

Migrant Youth

- Mexican Consulate/Education Plan (must be documented)
- Migrant Farm Worker Association (must be documented)
- VOC Rehab
- Futures Through Training (Wendover Area)
- Job Corp

Youth Offenders (Dave Melville)*

- Youth in Custody/Schools
- Vendor
- Vocational Rehab
- Project Reconnect
- ICAP (Intensive Community Aftercare Program)
- Apprenticeship Programs (when can be found)
- JJS
- Granite School District (YESS Program within schools)

** indicates Youth Council resource*

Paul Jackson will work with Steve Leyba to complete the brainstorming grid using the above resource information and attempt to identify the gaps. James Andersen asked if someone could identify the numbers by category that the YES Program is supposed to be serving. Ms. Lovell responded that the DWS State Office is in the process of compiling the numbers of eligible youth by category and by region. The data should be available within the next few weeks.

Due to time constraints, Mr. Jackson decided to forego the scheduled Committee Reports.

Youth Council Retreat Discussion

Chairman Jackson asked for suggestions regarding the Youth Council Retreat tentatively planned for June 20th. Due to the Transition to Adult Living Conference on June 27th and the State Council Meeting scheduled for July 14th it was determined that the best possible date for the Retreat would be August 1st from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm. This Retreat will incorporate the regularly scheduled August Youth Council meeting. Akilah Messado offered to host the Retreat at the Weber Basin Job Corps in Ogden and will contact Diane Lovell with more information.

August 11, 2005 Agenda Items and Meeting Calendar

The August Agenda and Meeting Calendar were not discussed because the Retreat and Council Meeting were re-scheduled to August 1st and the desire to adjourn at 5:00 pm.

Other Business

No additional business was discussed.

New Business

No new business was discussed.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Paul Jackson adjourned the meeting at 5:00 pm.